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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule The nucleic acid molecule of claim 6
  comprising an avian matrix attachment region and an avian ovalbumin transcriptional
  regulatory region.
- 2. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, further comprising a second matrix attachment region.
- 3. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, comprising an avian 5' matrix attachment region and an avian 3' matrix attachment region.
- 4. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is isolated from a chicken cell.
- 5. (canceled)
- 6. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1, A nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 95% identity to the nucleotide sequence according to of SEQ ID NO: 1, or the complement thereof.
- 7. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 99% identity to the nucleotide sequence according to of SEQ ID NO: 1, or the complement thereof.
- 8. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, comprising the nucleotide sequence according to of SEQ ID NO: 1, or the complement thereof.

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9. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 6 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule consists of the nucleotide sequence according to of SEQ ID NO: 1, or the complement thereof.

- 10. (canceled)
- 11. (canceled)
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- 23. (currently amended) A vector having inserted therein a nucleoic acid molecule according to

  Claim 1 comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 95% identity to the

  nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1.
- 24. (currently amended) The vector according to of Claim 23 selected from the group consisting of an artificial chromosome, a plasmid vector and a viral vector.
- 25. (currently amended) A liposome composition comprising a the nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 1.
- 26. (currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule-according to Claim 1, A nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 95% identity to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a recombinant nucleic acid molecule.
- 27. (canceled)
- 28. (canceled)
- 29. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26, further comprising a <u>first polypeptide-encoding region heterologous nucleic acid sequence</u> operably linked to the ovalbumin transcriptional regulatory region.
- 30. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26, further comprising an endogenous nucleic acid sequence operably linked to the ovalbumin transcriptional regulatory region.
- 31. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26, wherein the ovalbumin transcriptional regulatory region is capable of tissue-specific transcription by an avian oviduet cell.

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- 32. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26, further comprising an Internal Ribosome Entry Site.
- 33. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 29 32, further comprising a second heterologous nucleic acid sequence polypeptide encoding region operably linked to the Internal Ribosome Entry Site.
- 34. (canceled)
- 35. (currently amended) The vector according to of Claim 34 selected from the group consisting of a bacterial artificial chromosome, a yeast artificial chromosome, a plasmid vector and a viral vector.
- 36. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26, further comprising a polyadenylation signal sequence.
- 37. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 29, wherein the heterologous nucleic acid sequence encoding the encodes a polypeptide has having a codon complement optimized for protein expression in an avian.
- 38. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26 further comprising an origin of replication selected from the group consisting of a bacterial origin of replication and a viral origin of replication.
- 39. (currently amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to of Claim 26 which

  A nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 95% identity
  to the nucleotide sequence according to of SEQ ID NO: 1 comprises is a bacterial artificial
  chromosome.